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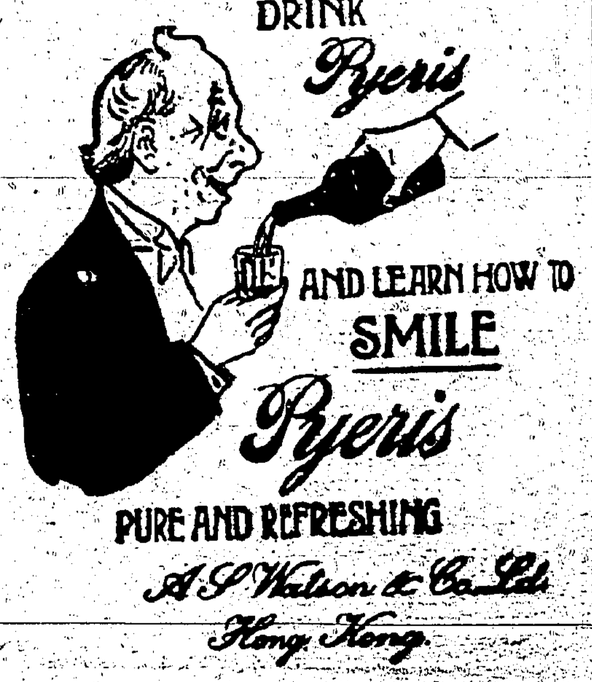
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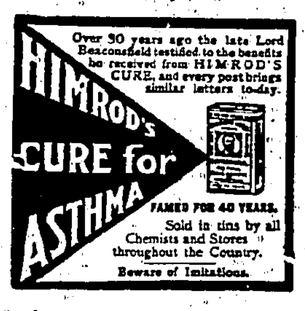
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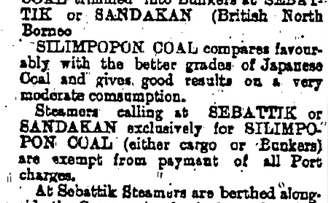
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MINE "FISHING."

HOW THE GREAT SEA-BOMBS ARE DESTROYED.

PERILS OF THE WORK IN THE NORTH SEA.

Mr. Gordon Bruce, in an article written for the "New York Tribune," and issued by the British Press Bureau, describes his experiences aboard a British mine-sweeper in the North Sea. He writes:—

It was somewhat startling to learn how many hundreds of boats and thousands of men are engaged continuously in harvesting those murderous sea-bombs. "Fishing," they call it. As we put out from the quay in the dim light of early morning, the captain of the sweeper promised faithfully to take me where the "fishing" was good—where he was certain the Germans had laid mines.

Another boat, a sister to ours, left harbour at the same time. She was our other half—for British mine-sweeping operations require two boats while the Germans employ but one. The naval men say that the latter system is far less effective and more expensive in the long run.

For many hours the boats travelled along side by side. I stood on the bridge with the captain, who seemed always there. He was a young man, small of figure, but his alert, weather-worn face showed the stuff he was made from. A deck hand came up the ladder and handed up two pneumatic life-belts. The captain silently passed one to me. After we had fastened them securely he glanced at the chart and compass. Then he gave a command and a signal was flashed to the other boat. Thus the first preparations were made for our "fishing."

METHOD OF SWEEPING.

The other boat nosed easily alongside. There was a clanking of machinery, and she made off again, carrying one end of a heavy steel cable. Several hundred yards away she resumed her course, while the cable sagged far down beneath the surface of the water. That was all—we were sweeping.

"Now then," said the skipper, "we are on the job. The Germans sneak out every night and sprinkle mines here, here and here"—indicating the locations on the chart. "They adjust the mooring cables so that the mines will be just under water at low tide, and a ship cannot possibly have any warning. Devilish thing, isn't it?"

It was late in the afternoon that we made our first catch. A sudden tightening of the cable made it clear that we had hit an obstruction. There was just a slight tremor all through the boat. Everybody stepped to the rail and gazed intently into the water. "That'll be one," said the commander, as the cable relaxed.

Sure enough, it was "one." The Boche mine broke the surface of the water and floated free, her mooring of, in steel cut off as cleanly as if with a mighty pair of shears. As it rolled lazily in the swell, it reminded me of a great black turtle with spikes on its back.

WHERE THE FUN COMES IN.

"Now," said the captain, "is where our fun comes in." The boat manœuvred until the mine lay about 80 yards to starboard. Four of the men lined up at the rail. As many Winchester rifles spoke. Then the men bent eagerly forward to see what would be the effect of the volley. Luck was theirs that time. The steel bullets had punctured the air-chamber of the mine and slowly—almost reluctantly, it seemed—the ugly thing sank from sight.

The young commander smiled as he directed the renewal of operations. There goes 200 pounds of good German T.N.T.," he chuckled. Then he told me an astounding fact.

Under The Hague regulations, to which Germany was a subscriber, he explained, all mines are fitted with a device which renders them harmless when they have broken from their mooring cables. This, so that innocent or neutral vessels may find some degree of safety on the high seas away from the war zones.

But, he said, while the safety attachment may be found on the German mines, right enough, somehow it fails to work. It was very technical, his conversation on this point, and not easy to grasp in detail. But I gathered enough to know that springs and valves may be so tampered with that the mine is quite as deadly when floating free as when properly moored.

UNWITNESSED BRAVERY.

I looked at those men who go out day after day, who wear their lifebelts continuously, who take their tea on the decks while they peer over the rims of their cups for the death that lurks in those sombre waters.

I thought how fine was their devotion to their duty; how great a part they are playing in the war—out there alone where their deeds are attended with no sounding of trumpets, where they give to their work the same quality of bravery that is required of the man in the trenches.

BRITAIN'S RACE TRIUMPH.

MR. BALFOUR ON EMPIRE'S WAR EFFORT.

"No greater triumph of our race has ever occurred," said Mr. Balfour, addressing, at the House of Commons, an important gathering of Overseas Dominions Parliamentary delegates, and referring to the way in which the people of the British Empire had met the strain put upon them by the war.

The delegates, who have come to this country to study war organisation, were entertained to luncheon by the United Kingdom branch of the Empire Parliamentary Association, over which the Speaker presided.

Mr. Balfour, in proposing the health of the Oversea delegates, said they all knew how the British Empire had stood a strain which might well have destroyed a more closely knit organisation. (Cheers.) It would be one of the marvels of history, one of the subjects on which the historian of the British Empire in the future would look back with a pride which no familiarity would be able to stale.

Sir George Foster, Canadian Minister of Trade and Commerce, and Senator Stuart, Union of South Africa, acknowledged the toast.

The latter, speaking as "a plain Dutch farmer" of the Orange Free State, who had fought against us, said the stars in their courses were fighting for Great Britain at the time their constitution was granted by the late Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, whose name was very highly loved and revered in South Africa. (Cheers.) Some were not yet fully broken into harness as British subjects, but what beat down all opposition was the wonderful faith which this country had shown in them. (Cheers.) That gave the death-blow to things which might otherwise have occurred, but which would occur no more. (Cheers.)

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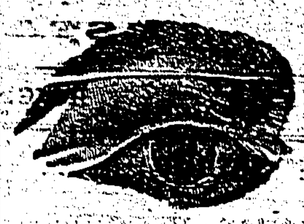
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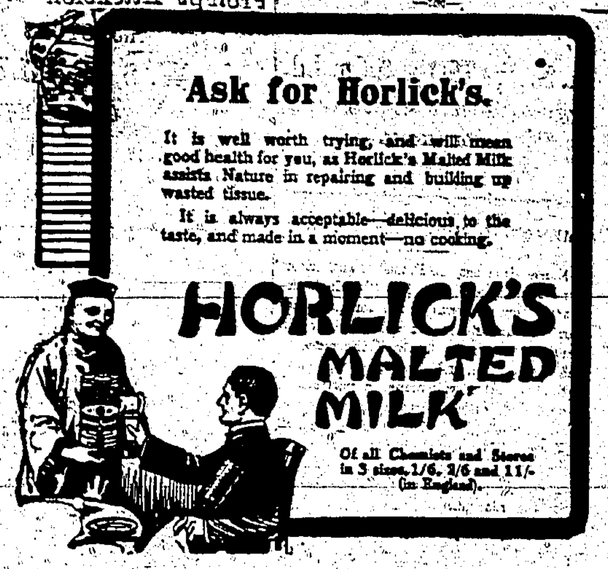
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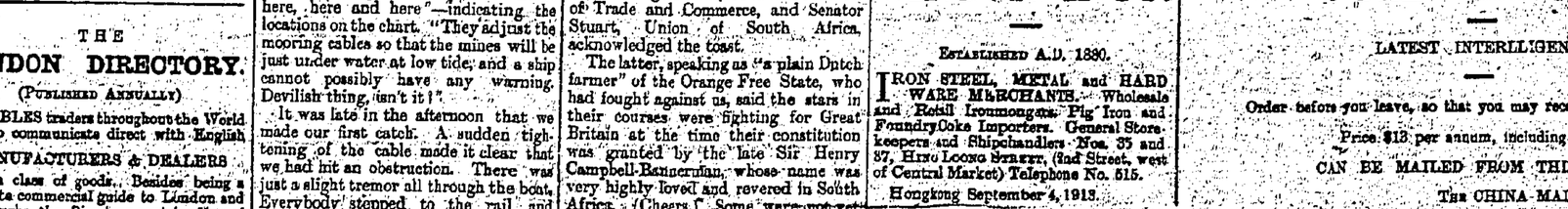
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The following narrative of an episode in the British offensive was given by a wounded officer of a London Territorial regiment to a representative of "The Daily Chronicle":—

"In the sector which our division held the trenches were originally very far apart—about 700 yards in most places. About a month ago we had orders to make a new line of trenches, which brought us within 800 yards of the enemy. That put us on the qui vive, and when, shortly afterwards, leave was stopped, we knew that 'things' were going to happen.

"Then we were definitely told what it was intended to do, and given plans of attack. The active battalions went into special training for this, while the reserves did the dirty work between the lines.

"There was a wonderful massing of guns of every size, and for once the Boche had no reply. Some of us began to kid ourselves that it was going to be a soft job.

WORKING LIKE NIGGERS.

"Fifty-eight hours before the push began the battalion to which I belonged was rushed up to the supporting trenches, and then we had to work like niggers making ready for the attack. I don't think any of us had any sleep after that, except an odd half hour now and again.

"It was a glorious morning on Saturday, and though few of us were in the mood to enjoy it, fine weather makes all the difference when you are fighting. After the intensive bombardment lasting an hour and a half, when everything in the German trenches was knocked to pieces, the guns lifted, and the men went over the parapet in waves.

"Just before a lot of smoke had been sent out, the wind being favourable, to form a barrage. We in the supporting trenches saw them go, and in spite of the German machine-guns, which somehow had survived our bombardment, and which opened up a terrific fire, our chaps reached the trenches and cleared out all the Germans who were alive, making many prisoners.

"I saw them when they were brought in, and most of them were fine, strapping fellows, belonging to the Prussian Guard.

"Our people got to the third line of the German trenches, though not without pretty heavy casualties. At this time the Germans were putting over two frightfully heavy barrages—one in front of their own trenches and another between our front line and the reserves.

"It became increasingly difficult for us to get bombs and ammunition to our fellows, and many of our men were hit in trying to reach them.

"At 3.15 came an order from my company commander for me to lead my platoon in an attack on a part of the German trenches which they had retaken. They were putting over shrapnel at that time, and were raking the ground with machine-guns.

"It seemed a hopeless kind of business, but the men were ripping, and came over the parapet in a wave, just as if they were doing a practice stunt.

"We had about 300 yards to go to the German trenches, and as far as I was concerned I was knocked out when I had covered 70 with a bullet wound in the arm. Fortunately I was near a shell hole, and I crawled into it and got a certain amount of shelter.

BULLET IN CHEQUE-BOOK.

"It was a pretty nervy business, though, for the Germans were scattering shrapnel all over the shop and the machine-guns were busy. One shrapnel bullet was stopped by my cheque-book, and two went into my ammunition pouch.

"I must have lain there a couple of hours. Then the fire slackened a bit, and I managed to wriggle my way back to our lines.

"After that it was just a little bit of Heaven. I was taken to the nearest dressing station, where I was treated with the most wonderful care and consideration, and the doctor did everything he could to make me comfortable.

"Then I was helped down to another station, three-quarters of a mile through the communication trenches, and given tea and an injection against tetanus.

"The ambulance took me to a clearing station, and while particulars were taken of my case I had more tea and chocolate and cigarettes.

"The next stage was the general clearing station at the railhead. There my wound was dressed again, and I was put on board a splendid English hospital train, and, being a sitting case, was given a big armchair.

"It was still Saturday evening, and only a few hours since I was wounded. It's simply astonishing how perfect the organisation is; there doesn't seem to be a hitch anywhere.

"We were 24 hours on the train—blissful hours in spite of the pain, with everything one could want and angels for nurses. At Havre, where full particulars of each case are taken and telegrams sent, we were taken on board a magnificent hospital ship.

"Then another ambulance train, Waterloo at one on Tuesday morning, and peace in this jolly hospital. Friday and Saturday last seem only a particularly rotten nightmare."

A NEW FAR EASTERN AGREEMENT.

"THE TIMES" COMMENT.

All who sincerely desire the permanent peace of the Far East will welcome the Agreement between Japan and Russia which is published to-day. The document, which is expressly based upon the maintenance of that peace, contains two Articles. By the first, each of the signatories undertakes not to become a party to "any arrangement or political combination directed against" the other. By the second, in case the territorial rights or special interests in the Far East of either, which are recognized by the other, should be threatened, they pledge themselves to take counsel together "on the measures to be adopted in view of the support or of the help to be given in order to safeguard and defend those interests." The Agreement is thus purely defensive. It marks a further stage in the development of a policy which Japan and Russia have consistently followed since the Treaty of Portsmouth in September, 1905. The Agreement of 1907 was made "to avoid any cause of misunderstanding" between them. That of 1910 was designed "to develop the effects" of the former convention in view of the consolidation of peace in the Far East. The first Agreement contemplated resort to pacific means only; the second was limited to Manchuria; the third applies to all the territorial rights and special interests of both Powers in the Far East. Japan and Russia have steadily pursued the same policy since 1910, and may well have led to other arrangements between them, defining their spheres of interest and claims, especially in view of Japan's recent invaluable services.

The cardinal merit of the Agreement is that it constitutes a fresh guarantee against insidious efforts to sow dissension between the signatories. That such efforts have been made persistently by Germany is notorious. It was in pursuit of her traditional policy of diverting Russian activities from Europe to Asia that she invited Russia to make war upon Japan in 1904-5. She desired to gain a free hand for Austro-German ambitions in the Balkans, in Asia Minor, in Mesopotamia, on the Persian Gulf and beyond, by involving the natural protector of the Balkan peoples in a remote and dangerous conflict. The momentary success of the scheme enabled her to force upon a weakened and disorganized Russia a one-sided commercial treaty. The certainty that Russia would not renew an instrument so injurious to herself when it expired in the present year was doubtless one of the motives which impelled the German Government to plunge Europe into war. But a yet stronger motive was the recognition that Russia had awakened to the sense of her national interests, and that she was no longer to be duped into neglecting them in pursuit of visionary projects in the Far East. Russia had again turned her gaze to the Balkans and to the West. The breach of the Murzsteg Agreement for reforms in Macedonia, the annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, and the simultaneous coup d'etat by Ferdinand of Bulgaria were as significant as the repeated provocations offered to France. They were efforts to establish Austro-German claims on the road to Constantinople, before Russia had recovered strength enough to defeat them. Thus the new Agreement is an illustration of how short-sighted German diplomacy has been. In the Far East, as in the West, it has brought together those whom it particularly sought to set at enmity. The British and French Governments welcome the Agreement, not only as an additional guarantee for the peace of the Far East, but as consolidating the relations between all of the Allies in that region. It is the common interest of them all to maintain the principles embodied by Japan and Russia in the Agreement of 1907, and doubtless the spirit which inspired the parent arrangement has been preserved in this, its latest offspring. For Japan, as for Russia, this step is an advance on the path dictated by her position as a Great Power. Like her accession to the Pact of London, it draws her into the full stream of world-politics as an equal amongst the historic Powers of Europe.

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THE JUTLAND NAVAL VICTORY.

AN AMERICAN COMMENT ON ADMIRAL JELLICOE'S REPORT.

The Naval Correspondent of the "New York Herald" wrote last month to the Paris Edition of that journal as follows:—

The despatches of Admiral Sir John Jellicoe afford a most striking and significant contrast to the inconclusive, incomplete and inaccurate versions of the battle which have emanated from German sources. It constitutes a challenge to the Kaiser to produce von Scheer's report and place it before the world.

At the very beginning the Commander-in-Chief completely vindicates the Vice-Admiral of his Battle-Cruiser Fleet, Sir David Beatty, in connection with what took place before the British battle squadrons were able to get into action.

One lesson driven home by the Admiral's reports is the time-honoured one that a fighting fleet—to-day more than ever—must be ready at an instant's notice to go anywhere and do anything. The British fleet had no leisurely warning of this encounter off the Jutland coast. It was sprung upon them suddenly. The ships were out for a sweeping movement through the North Sea, as they had been scores of times before, when the word was passed that the Germans were out.

How well the efficiency of the fleet stood the test is shown in these despatches. Sir John Jellicoe says that "the prelude to action is the work of the engine-room department," and after commending the qualities of discipline and devotion to duty shown by these workers below, he adds that "several ships attained speeds that had never before been reached."

GROWTH OF THE BRITISH FLEET.

The number of new vessels added since war began and the developments in fleet organization as the result of experience must come as a startling revelation to many people. Of the vessels indicated as having taken part on the British side, all were under twelve years of age. The battle squadrons contained no ship launched before 1906 and the destroyer flotillas none put afloat before 1911. There are about fifty light cruisers and torpedo craft mentioned by name in the reports, and no less than twenty-three of them have been passed into service since the outbreak of war. Whereas the destroyer flotillas of the navy formerly numbered nine, they now total thirteen, and in place of two light cruiser squadrons there are four.

For the first time in naval warfare, moreover, an aeroplane ship, the "Engadine," formerly a fast cross-Channel steamer, accompanied the fleet, and the assistance of the machine which ascended from her deck during the afternoon of May 31 was invaluable.

As has already been stated, the fighting value of the oil-fired, 15-inch-gun ships of the "Queen Elizabeth" type was amply demonstrated. Sir David Beatty shows that these great battleships opened fire at a range of 20,000 yards, or 11½ miles.

Wonderful as were the performances of the different units, it is the personal side which must attract the greater attention. The British seamen showed that, allied with professional skill, they possess qualities of daring and initiative worthy of the old glories of the Royal Navy. There are few people who will not be thrilled by reading how, when the destroyer "Onslow" was disabled after attacking battleships, battle-cruisers and a light cruiser of the German fleet, another destroyer, the "Defender," which had likewise been crippled by a shell which damaged her foremost boiler, went in at the best speed she could do, ten knots, and took the "Onslow" in tow. Shells were falling all around the two damaged destroyers, but, with the coolness and seamanship of their crews, they got home without further mishap.

While the British public must be quite satisfied with the material results gained by this action, they must be even more so when the moral results are considered. All the advantages of time, place and weather were on the side of the Germans, but they were caught, held and forced to fight, and but for the darkness and mist might well have been annihilated. While, too, they fought bravely, as Sir John Jellicoe himself declares, under the deadly fire of the British vessels, their efficiency was rapidly reduced, while that of Jellicoe's men was maintained throughout. As a result of the action, moreover, the predominance of the Allies in all the seas of the world is stronger than ever.

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9.15 p.m.—The Palisade, Kowloon.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

11 a.m.—Auction of steel and wooden Boats ex. s.s. "Chiyo Maru" at Taikoo Dockyard, Quarry Bay.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, Piano, Gramophones etc at 27, Conduit Road.

General Memoranda.

FRIDAY, August 18:—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, Linen, Carpets etc., at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

SATURDAY, August 19:—
11 a.m.—Auction of Pipes, Pumps, Propellers etc. ex. "Chiyo Maru" at Kowloon Godowns.

SUNDAY, August 20:—
9 a.m.—Excursion to Macao by s.s. "Taishan".

MONDAY, August 21:—
3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land at Public Works Department.
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DAVEY.—At the Government Civil Hospital, Hongkong, on the 15th inst., ARTHUR EDWARD DAVEY, son of the late OLIVER DAVEY, of Bude, Cornwall, aged 41 years. The funeral will pass the Monument at 6 p.m. to-day.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, Aug. 16, 1916.

POLITICS IN CHINA.

IN the recent political upheaval in China the revolutionaries have made a great parade of their desire that all should be done according to the law of the land. The succession of LI YUAN HUNG to the Presidency was in due fulfilment of the law, but what legal sanction is there for convening a Parliament of members whose period of election had expired? The Provincial Assemblies are to be convened on October 1st; and we believe the same criticism will apply to the members of these bodies. Presumably there are ways and means of regularising this irregularity, just as in Great Britain it is proposed to extend the life of the present Parliament by special legislative enactment. But we have seen no indication of any intention to deal with the position in China in this way and it is possible that there is something in the veiled hint given recently by a Peking correspondent that by winking at this irregularity the Government will get an opportunity of seeing how a Parliamentary Assembly, chastened by the bitter experience of past years, settles down again to its work; and should Parliament once more become a bear-garden, the PRESIDENT is provided with a ready excuse for dissolving it and ordering a general election—possibly on a more restricted basis. It is perhaps too early yet to judge the resurrected Parliament, but the bitterness of party feeling already revealed does not seem to promise well for the future.

CHOLERA EPIDEMICS.

THE news of a serious outbreak of cholera at Macao is certainly alarming at a time when the neighbouring Portuguese Colony, like the Colony of Hongkong, is over-crowded with refugees from the Canton delta region. Cholera appears to have been exceptionally bad in the Philippine Islands also this season. In the month of July no fewer than 1,442 cases were reported, but only 71 of these occurred in the city of Manila. The Health Authorities in the Philippines are apparently taking very thorough measures to check the epidemic, but the latest papers from Manila show that many cases are still occurring. A paper of the 10th inst. states that seven cases of cholera were reported in the city of Manila in the preceding twenty-four hours, and that thirty-one "carriers" of the cholera germ were picked up and placed under observation. Nineteen of these came from Bilibid Prison. It is recorded that about 160 carriers of the germ have been found in Bilibid since the Health Authorities began their individual examination of all the prisoners there, and it is an extraordinary coincidence, in the opinion of the authorities, that not a single case of the disease has developed. Fortunately, the official reports show that no case of cholera has occurred in Hongkong, but the announcement to-day that quarantine has been declared against ships arriving from Macao and the proclamation issued later in the day forbidding the entry of Chinese from Macao into Hongkong shows that the Government is alive to the dangers of a cholera epidemic so close to Hongkong.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd., announces an interim dividend of $1 per share.

The Hongkong authorities have declared Macao to be an infected port.

Japan papers announce the death of Mr. R. T. Bell, who has been Secretary of the Yokohama Engine and Iron Works for several years.

There is much uneasiness among the Cantonese community in Peking owing to reports in circulation that an impending reorganisation of the Ministry of Communications involves a wholesale dismissal of Cantonese.

The Police have recovered $2,900 worth of jewellery reported stolen on Monday from a house in Caine Road, together with $2,043 worth not reported stolen. A man and a woman have been arrested in connection with the theft and their trial will take place on Monday.

Mr. Maurice Bandmann informs us that the exploitation of the Government film "Britain Prepared" and Official War films for the Empire of India, the Straits Settlements, Malay States, China and Japan has been entrusted to him and that special representatives with complete outfits and sets of films will leave London immediately for the East. Two distinct tours are being arranged. One commencing with a Command Performance before His Excellency the Viceroy, at Simla, embracing the Empire of India and Ceylon; and another, commencing at Tokio, will include Japan, China, the Straits Settlements and the Malay States.

DEATH OF MR. A. E. DAVEY.

The news of the death of Mr. A. E. Davey, Acting Assistant Harbour Master of Hongkong, will be read with the deepest regret by all who knew him either in his official capacity or privately.

Starting in the sea-faring profession as a cadet on H.M. training ship *Conway*, he came to the East many years ago as an officer in the China Navigation Co. He left the service of that Company in 1907 to join the Harbour Office in Hongkong as a Boarding Officer, and at the time of his death held the appointment of First Boarding Officer and was acting as Assistant Harbour Master. He had the rank of Lieut.-Commander in the Royal Naval Reserve.

Mr. Davey was highly esteemed both in the Harbour Department itself and among shipping men generally as a most capable and obliging officer. Since the outbreak of the war, which threw a great amount of additional work on the Harbour Department, Commander Beckwith had had an ideal assistant in Mr. Davey, and it is certainly not too much to say that the Harbour Department suffers by his death a loss which cannot easily be repaired.

Mr. Davey was, a comparatively young man—being only 41 years of age—and his abilities were of a kind to merit his further promotion had he lived. For some time past he had not been in the best of health, but it was only a week ago that he went into hospital, where an examination revealed internal trouble which unhappily has speedily had a fatal termination. Mr. Davey leaves a widow and two young children, and the deepest sympathy will be felt for them by a wide circle of friends in their bereavement.

The funeral takes place this evening at Happy Valley, passing the Monument at 6 o'clock.

THE CHOLERA EPIDEMIC AT MACAO.

CHINESE FROM MACAO NOT TO LAND IN HONGKONG.

PROCLAMATION BY H.E. THE GOVERNOR.

The following Proclamation, issued by H.E. the Governor, came into force as from to-day:—

No vessel of any kind shall bring into the waters of the Colony from Macao any passengers of Chinese nationality or origin, or any passengers appearing to be of Chinese nationality or origin.

No person of Chinese nationality or origin shall come into the Colony by land or sea from Macao.

All vessels of every kind on arriving within the waters of the Colony from Macao shall anchor at the Quarantine Anchorage as prescribed by the Quarantine Regulations, and shall not leave such anchorage until allowed to do so by order of the Health Officer.

FIGHTING AT SHEK LUNG.

LUNG BATTLES WITH REBELS AND CAPTURES CITY.

There is increased activity in the Shek Lung district. The rebel troops, who are commanded by Tang Hang, the commander of the National Army, central district, and an arch robber, have suffered a severe defeat. Lung augmented the detachment he sent to Sam Chun yesterday afternoon by a further thousand men who got into contact with the rebels when nearing Shek Lung. As battles in China go, the fighting was desperate and particularly severe in hand-to-hand conflicts. Shek Lung fell during the night and is now in the possession of the Government troops who continue to harass the rebels and regain ground.

The rebels are also being rounded up in the Sam Chun district.

Fighting is also reported to be in progress at Tai-pang in the San On area and close to Mirs Bay. The rebels here are under the command of a clerk who was formerly in the employ of the Kowloon Dairy Co. and who is the man who raided the Custom House at Sha-tau-kuk and stole rifles and ammunition.

BIG FIGHT BETWEEN TWO VILLAGES.

Ping Lam, a village of about 10,000 inhabitants, and Ah Kong, of about 3,000—both situated about 15 miles north of Macao and about three miles apart from each other—had a quarrel and on the 10th inst. they began to fight. Old muzzle-loading guns were freely used. The fighting continued day and night and the bombardment could be clearly heard in Macao. The guns possessed by the Ping Lam villagers are much bigger than those of their adversaries, and have a longer range. Consequently by the 12th inst. Ah Kong village, composed of more than 300 big houses, was absolutely demolished and about 400 people are reported to have been killed. The damage is estimated at about $1,000,000.

It appears that the fighting originated over some question of field tax amounting to a little more than $100 per annum. The tax on a certain field just in front of Ah Kong village had been collected by the Ping Lam villagers for scores of years but, after the Revolution, the Ah Kong villagers refused to pay this taxation on the pretext that the field was in front of their village. Owing to the present situation no justice can be had from any court; therefore the parties to the dispute resorted to fighting in spite of the strong efforts of neighbouring villagers to prevent a fight.

THE THING CHILDREN

TEETHING children have more or less diarrhœa, which can be controlled by giving Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy. All that is necessary is to give the prescribed dose after each operation of the bowels more than natural and then castor oil to cleanse the system. It is safe and sure. Even the most severe and dangerous cases are quickly cured by it. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

CHINESE AFFAIRS.

(Wah Tau Yat Po's Service.)

PARTY STRIFE IN CHINA.

SHANGHAI, Aug. 15.

Party strife is running very high with its shameful attacks and bitter counter-attacks, and the outlook is most dangerous.

THE FINANCIAL STRINGENCY AND OFFICIAL SALARIES.

PEKING, Aug. 15.

Owing to the financial difficulties of the Government, official salaries will only be paid in part. The Ministries of the Army, Navy and Mongolian Affairs and the General Staff will receive 80 per cent.; the Ministries of Foreign Affairs, Justice, and Education and some others will receive only 70 per cent.; while the Ministries of the Interior, Finance, Agriculture and the Presidential Palace will receive 60 per cent.

THE CABINET.

PEKING, Aug. 15.

The list of the members of the Cabinet will be submitted for approval by the Upper House on the 18th inst. and by the Lower House on the 21st inst.

WHOLESALE DISMISSALS.

PEKING, Aug. 15.

Hui Sai Ying, the new Minister of Communications, is discharging about 130 officials in the Ministry, most of whom are Cantonese.

PROVINCIAL COUNCILS.

PEKING, Aug. 15.

A Presidential Mandate fixes October 1st as the date for the opening of the Provincial Assemblies.

WOMAN—A NEW PHASE.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES IN THE RESTAURANT.

A restaurant in—well, not in Soho. Enters a servicably dressed but perfectly chic young woman. She claims a seat at a corner table and beckons to the waiter.

Alphonse, she remarks, with exactly the right touch of indifference, get me a little dinner. You know what I like. Something light. About five shillings. And the wine list, please.

It may be only a bottle of Chablis, but whatever it is it is chosen with discriminating knowledge. After the soup, an apology for fish, a delicate entrée, game, and the irresistible sweet for which the house is famous, come coffee and cigarettes, chosen with the touch of the connoisseur.

The little bill, when it is presented, probably reaches half a g. She pays it with indifference, with the suggestion of a smile. She is a medical woman, making much money, taking her independence for granted.

Another little table, at which are seated a girl in working dress and a tanned cheeked boy in khaki. Months and months ago he used to plan out the dinner. But it is her turn now. A sub who lives on his pay has to suffer many things.

Nonsense, Dickie, you might hear her say. You are my guest. Of course I shall pay. If you can fight in France for me, surely I can ask you to dinner when you get leave.

And it is the girl's slim hand which gives the waiter the cost of the dinner—and a handsome tip.

What would you? said the little French manager, as he shrugged his shoulders for the benefit of an interested patron. Figure yourself what it would be for us if the ladies dined at home always. We should be in despair. We should close the shutters to-morrow were it not for the war workers who prefer to dine out rather than in a lonely room at home.

HONGKONG UNIVERSITY.

A Reuter's telegram from Peking says:—

It is understood that President Li Yuan-hung, in an interview given to Sir Charles R. Eliot, intimated his willingness to continue the annual grant of $2,000 a year inaugurated by President Yuan Shih-kai and also the President's prize scholarship.

The "Peking Gazette" understands that President Li Yuan-hung will recommend to the Minister of Education the establishment of scholarships to the Hongkong University for the Metropolitan Prefecture similar to those granted by Yunnan, Hupeh and Chihli, each of which sends a certain number of students to Hongkong University.

CLOSING SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Banks	$ 740	1 pm.
Docks	128	sa.
Sugars	114	s.
Wharfs	83	b.
Det. Docs	1274	s.
Cements	9.00	s.
Trams	7.50	sa.
Ropes	144	sa & b
Malakons	39½	b

THE MAGISTRACY.

EUROPEAN LADY ASSAULTED.

COOLIE WHO RESENTED BEING ADMONISHED.

Mrs. Frost of Kimberly Villas, Kowloon, this morning prosecuted a night-soil coolie for assault. She said she had had a great deal of trouble with the man who was lazy. Yesterday she had to admonish him owing to his uncleanly ways and he apparently resented this for he picked up a bucket and struck Mrs. Frost on the head. He also became very abusive and seized her by the arm.

The coolie stated that he was first kicked by the complainant and what he had done was in retaliation.

The magistrate ordered defendant to pay a fine of $10 or go to prison for a month.

OPIUM UNDER CEMENT.

DRUG PUT ABOARD AT GLASGAW.

Cleverly concealed beneath six inches of cement in the after tank on board the s.s. *Knight Companion*, Detective Sergt. Clark yesterday found 100 lbs of raw opium and 45 lbs of prepared.

The ship had arrived from Glasgow via Cape Town, on charter. Information as to opium being on board had been sent to the Police at Hongkong before hand.

Detective Sergt. Clark, who made the find, also made an arrest. When he went aboard he saw a man hauling something out of the tank and seized him. The officer went down into the tank and saw the opium lying under the cement.

At the Magistracy this morning defendant, who said he had put the drug on board for some one else, was fined $5,000 or a year's imprisonment.

WAR CHARITIES.

SECOND ANNIVERSARY OF WAR.

The Hon. Mr. E. R. HALLIFAX, Hon. Secretary, War Charities Committee, communicates the information that a sum of £500 has to-day been remitted by the Hon. Treasurer to London to be expended on the Relief of British Prisoners of War. The total is made up as follows:—

ANNIVERSARY SERVICE OFFERTORIES.

St. John's Cathedral	909.46
Union Church	437.00
Ohel Leah Synagogue	200.00
Sundry earmarked subscriptions	156.00
Allocated from General Fund.	3,003.42
	$4,705.88

RINDERPEST IN THE PHILIPPINES.

ENTAILED A LOSS OF 1½ MILLION PESOS.

With a total of 695 new cases and 601 deaths during the past week, says a Manila paper of the 10th inst., the rinderpest records of the bureau of agriculture show that from the beginning of the present year there have been in all 13,282 cases and 10,344 deaths among the work animals of the islands from the disease, representing a financial loss in animals alone of over P1,250,000 in less than seven months.

The reports for the past week show a material falling off in the number of new cases of the disease that have been found there having been but 695 as compared with 803, a reduction of 108, while there were only 601 deaths from it as compared with 684, or 83 less.

CHOLERA CONTROL.

EXPERIMENTS IN MANILA.

A Manila contemporary states that Dr. Otto Schobl, Bacteriologist of the Bureau of Science, has discovered what is believed by the Health Authorities to be a fact of great importance in connection with the fight against cholera. He has succeeded in producing, experimentally, a condition of cholera-carrying in guinea pigs, and has found that after infection they are active carriers of the bacilli for a period of from 12 to 14 days, after which they again become negative.

Thus far the discovery is of little importance. He has gone a step further in his experiments, however, and has discovered a way to make these animals carriers of the germs again without reinfection, by feeding them on bile. In this manner he has made the interesting discovery that the gall bladder becomes a reservoir for the germs and that while the animal may become entirely negative apparently, it still is a carrier intermittently.

It is believed this discovery will have a valuable bearing on the manner of treating the disease and will enable the medical profession to determine the manner in which a carrier can become an active sufferer from the disease.

SUPPLIED BY ALL CHEMISTS.

PHYSICIANS prescribed Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy because it relieves cramps in the stomach and intestinal pains quicker than any preparation they can compound. It can be bought from any chemist. A bottle will keep for years and no home is complete without it. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

VISCOUNT BRYCE ON THE ALLIES' FIGHT FOR FREEDOM.

U.S. LOYALTY TO BRITAIN.

Seldom have the Pilgrims entertained a guest more welcome than the Hon. James M. Beck, who, of all the great American publicists, has done most to set out the case for the Allies in its true bearings. As Viscount Bryce said he has set himself to study the case of the responsibility for the present outbreak, and has produced a book—"The Evidence in the Case"—which for clearness of statement and cogency of argument has not been surpassed.

Viscount Bryce presided over the distinguished gathering which met Mr. Beck at the Savoy Hotel. In proposing the health of Mr. Beck, he said: "We don't believe that this war is going to be a draw. The Allies are going to win. (Cheers.) We believe this because we believe the Allies will prove to be stronger on land than the Germans, and because we hold the unshaken and unshakeable control of the seas.

GERMANS FED WITH FALSEHOODS.

"Secondly, peace cannot be made now because the German Government is not yet prepared for it on any terms we can accept. The German Government may know they are going to be beaten, but the German people do not yet know it. They are ignorant of the true facts, and their Government, which has fed them with falsehoods, and held out prospects of territorial gains, fears to accept terms which would recognise their own failure.

"Thirdly, because a peace made now, on such terms as the German Government would accept, would be no permanent peace, but a mere truce. It would mean for Europe constant disorder and alarm of war; more preparations for war, and a further competition in prodigious armaments. Lastly, because we are fighting for great principles, principles vital to the future of mankind, principles which the German Government has outraged, and which must, at all costs, be vindicated. (Cheers.)

"Not content to be a great and prosperous nation among other nations, the German Government desires to dominate the world. The only safety for the world is to discredit, by defeat, that military caste and military system which has gained its control and laid its yoke upon the German people by three successful wars.

"This is a conflict for the principles of right, which were violated when innocent non-combatants were slaughtered in Belgium and drowned in the Lusitania. The Allies are bound, and are resolved, to prosecute it till a victory has been won for those principles, and for a peace established on the sure foundation of justice and freedom." (Cheers.)

MR. BECK'S REPLY.

Mr Beck, after referring to the unusual delicacy and difficulty of a citizen of the United States in speaking of the war, said that "the opinion of America was that it would be a world calamity if this war did not end in a triumphant victory for the Allies. (Cheers.) The overwhelming sentiment of the American people, of the pulpits, the Press, the universities, the bankers, the factories, and the fields, is in favour of the Allies, and is heart and soul with them.

"This war has brought about a new sympathy and understanding between Great Britain and the United States. We have appreciated the British Empire more than we have ever done before. We have seen that Empire do the noblest thing it was possible to do—stake its whole existence in a struggle to save Belgium and go to the relief of France.

"When the smoke of this war has passed away, we shall see outlined against the infinite blue of God's sky the three great democracies of Britain, France, and the United States united in the cause of justice and civilisation." (Cheers.)

BIRTH-RATE PROBLEM.

HELP FOR FATHERS OF FAMILIES.

MR. LONG'S APPROVAL.

As a result of the report of the Commission which appointed by the National Council of Public Morals, has for over two years held an inquiry into the declining birth-rate, a deputation waited upon Mr. Walter Long, the President of the Local Government Board, recently.

The deputation was headed by Dean Inge, who, after the resignation of Bishop Boyd Carpenter, acted as chairman of the Commission. Other members of the Commission present were the Duchess of Marlborough, the Bishop of Birmingham, Monsignor W. F. Brown, the Rev. F. B. Meyer.

After listening to arguments from Dean Inge, Dr. A. E. Garrie, Professor H. Gollancz, and Dr. Mary Scharlieb, Mr Long said that his first duty and privilege, on behalf of the country and of society, was to thank the society for the splendid work which they had done. If they had done nothing else, and, personally, he believed they had done a great deal besides, they had at least stirred the minds and hearts of men in so profound a way that even the most careless and indifferent could not be deaf to their entreaties.

It was difficult for any Government to take what might be described as direct action with regard to the recommendations that the Commission had made, and he would not pledge the Government to a particular course.

TAX ON BACHELORS.

For his own part he might say that he had long been of opinion that the Chancellor of the Exchequer lost a very useful and proper source of income when he made no differences between bachelors and married men with families. Any proposal which had for its object the relief of those who had to spend a large part of their income in supporting children would receive his cordial approval.

Mr. Long said he could not agree to the suggestion that a Minister of Public Health should be appointed. As far as could be judged by newspaper criticism there were already too many Ministers. But he was certainly in favour of a Central Emigration Board, so that emigration might be controlled and co-ordinated. Emigration was perhaps one of the best ways in which the imperial birth rate could be promoted.

KEEP IT HANDY.

IMMEDIATE relief is necessary in attacks of diarrhœa. Chamberlain's Colic Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy should always be on hand. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

THE WAR.

LATEST TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE BRITISH FRONT.

TRENCHES RETAKEN.

LONDON, Aug. 15.

General Sir Douglas Haig in a *communiqué* says:

Nearly the whole of the remainder of the trenches north-west of Pozieres in which the enemy gained a footing on the 13th inst. have been retaken and an entry forced into the enemy's trenches at Mouquet Farm.

THE FRENCH FRONT.

BRILLIANT GRENADE ATTACKS.

PARIS, Aug. 15.

A *communiqué* states:

Our artillery has been very active in the Somme region.

We carried by brilliant grenade attacks portions of German trenches on a front of 300 and a depth of 100 metres north of Chapelle Ste Fine.

An enemy counter-attack was smashed up by our curtain fire.

There has been a violent bombardment in the Fleury-Vaux-Chapitre sector.

BRITISH OUTPUT OF MUNITIONS.

STATEMENT BY THE MINISTER OF MUNITIONS.

LONDON, Aug. 15.

Speaking in the House of Commons the Hon. E. Montague, Minister of Munitions, said our output of shells had increased so much that comparisons with 1914 were useless. Besides a large amount of munitions and guns we were supplying our Allies with metals for munitions to the value of £6,000,000 a month, and sending to France one-third of our production of steel for shells. The French experts praised our new heavy artillery.

Speaking of the increases of Munitions Mr. Montague stated that we are now manufacturing monthly twice as many heavy guns as we possessed at the outbreak of the war. The weekly output of machine guns has increased sixteen times since the foundation of the Munitions Department, while the weekly output of high explosives was sixty times and of field howitzers eight times greater than at the beginning of 1915.

Mr. Montagu added that our equipment of 18-pounders was practically complete. We should shortly have satisfied our own requirements in machine-guns and should be able to devote attention entirely to the requirements of the Allies. The weekly output of munitions covered the expenditure of munitions, so if the workers and employers continued to play their parts as nobly as heretofore there would be no fear of the offensive breaking down owing to shortage of ammunition.

THE BRITISH AIR SERVICE.

NO PROOF OF CHARGES OF NEGLIGENCE.

LONDON, Aug. 15.

The Commission which has held an inquiry into the alleged shortcomings of the Air Service has found that there is no proof in substantiation of charges of negligence.

A MILITARY TRIBUNAL.

LONDON, Aug. 15.

Mr. Lloyd George announced in the House of Commons that the Tribunal under the Army Act Amendment Bill would be composed of Field-Marshal Sir A. Nicholson, Lord Cheylesmore, Mr. Justice Atkins and Mr. Maclean, M.P.

SHIPS SUNK.

ONE BY INTERNAL EXPLOSION.

LONDON, Aug. 15.

The steamer *Tati* has been sunk in the Mediterranean.

The crew of the Norwegian steamer *Aranda*, which was bound for Glasgow from Quebec have been landed at Mull. The vessel was broken in two by explosions on board.

RUSSIAN PROGRESS.

IN THE CARPATHIANS.

PETROGRAD, Aug. 15.

In the wooded Carpathians the Russians occupied Jablonitza and the towns southward, taking 1,089 prisoners.

THE KING AT THE FRONT.

IN THE DANGER ZONE.

LONDON, Aug. 15.

H.M. The King motored to the danger-zone, accompanied by the Prince of Wales and Staff, and watched shells bursting on both sides. His Majesty quitted it at a point near the old British line and walked over to the centre of the area of the conflict at the beginning of July, and then crossed the old "No-man's land" pitted with shell-holes and strewn with the debris of the war. His Majesty remarked: "It's wonderful how human beings could have lived through it."

The King scrambled up the parapets, refusing help, and visited the graves of the fallen British. His Majesty walked over many yards of what once were German trenches. He was greatly pleased with the result of our gunnery.

His Majesty entered 40ft. dug-outs and remarked that the Germans evidently thought they were going to make a long stay but they were not faring so well now.

The King next witnessed the strafing at Pozieres. In the very midst of the action, to the accompaniment of shrieking shells, his Majesty reluctantly withdrew after overstopping his allotted time.

HIS MAJESTY'S MESSAGE.

His Majesty in a message paid a tribute to all branches of combatant and non-combatant service, men and women, and rejoiced that their noble efforts are heartily seconded by all parties at home. His Majesty added:

"The heavy sacrifices made by the Armies have not been made in vain. The arms of the Allies will never be laid down until their cause has triumphed.

ANGLO-ITALIAN AGREEMENT.

ROME, Aug. 15.

The Anglo-Italian agreement has been signed.

THE KUT PRISONERS.

LONDON, Aug. 15.

Lord Robert Cecil stated in the House of Commons that he had no further information regarding the treatment of the prisoners taken by the Turks at Kut. The United States Minister would be sending money and comforts to them as soon as their arrival at internment camps was known. The main cause of uneasiness was the refusal of Turkey to allow the United States officials to visit the prisoners, but private messages recently received were reassuring.

THE MAILS FOR MESOPOTAMIA.

LONDON, Aug. 15.

In the House of Commons Mr. Chamberlain announced that he had received a report from the Raj stating that he hoped by August 1st to forward the whole English mail to Mesopotamia by way of Basra on the day of its arrival. They had not traced any cases of pilfering. Inadequate or lost addresses, or insecure packing must account for a good many miscarriages. He proposed to communicate further with the Raj on the subject.

Mr. Chamberlain also stated that he was communicating with the Raj with a view to the amplification and acceleration of arrangements regarding the effects of soldiers dying in Mesopotamia.

ARE YOU GOING ON A JOURNEY?

CHAMBERLAIN'S Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy should be packed in your hand luggage when going on a journey. Change of water, diet, and temperature all tend to produce bowel trouble, and this medicine cannot be secured on board the train or steamship. It may save much suffering and inconvenience if you have it handy. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

BANK STAFF RELEASED IN PERSIA.

LONDON, Aug. 15.

The Staff of the Shiraz branch of the Imperial Bank of Persia has been released and has arrived at Bushire.

THE TRANSPORT DIFFICULTY IN MESOPOTAMIA.

LONDON, Aug. 15.

In the House of Commons Mr. Chamberlain, in reply to Sir Edward Carson, said the difficulty of transport in Mesopotamia had not been wholly overcome and could not be overcome for some time. He believed matters had been much improved and he thought everything possible was now being done regarding medical arrangements.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE ANGLO-FRENCH OFFENSIVE.

GERMAN AVIATORS BOMB RHEIMS.

BAD WEATHER ON FRENCH FRONT.

PARIS, Aug. 15.

A *communiqué* states:—Bad weather has hampered our operations on most of the front.

There was a sharp artillery duel south of the Somme and east of the Meuse.

Elsewhere there was intermittent cannonading.

German aeroplanes yesterday evening dropped incendiary and other bombs on Rheims.

German batteries meanwhile shelled different quarters of the town.

A civilian hospital, which adjoins the church Sainte Remy, was destroyed. A dispensary was also destroyed. Six civilians were killed.

FRENCH CAPTURE THIRD LINE POSITIONS IN 80 MINUTES.

PARIS, Aug. 15.

A *communiqué* states:—The French captured their objectives in the German third line positions in eighty minutes. Their losses were wonderfully small, considering that four lines of trenches had to be crossed. There was desperate close fighting.

THE RUSSIAN FRONT.

RUSSIAN ADVANCE CHECKED AT SOME POINTS.

PETROGRAD, Aug. 14.

A Russian official *communiqué* states:—In the upper Sereth region the enemy retired westward to a fortified position, behind which he is checking our advance at some points.

We continue to pursue the enemy in the region of the middle Strypa and the river Koropiec, and we have reached the northern bank of the Dneister before Mariampol.

The enemy attacks in the wooded Carpathians were everywhere repulsed.

RUSSIANS STORMING POSITIONS.

PETROGRAD, Aug. 15.

A *communiqué*, states that the Russians continue to advance in the Sereth and Zlota Lipa regions, fording their tributaries, sometimes breast-high, and storming positions on opposite banks.

The village of Tustobabe, north-west of the Dneister, was stormed after a fierce fight, the Russians having to carry endless lines of trenches exposed to the fiercest machine-gun fire.

BELGIAN CYCLIST SECTION CAPTURE TOWN.

The Belgian cyclists and motor-guns have distinguished themselves by capturing the town of Zboroff on the Strypa.

WARFARE ON THE AUSTRO-ITALIAN FRONT.

OBSERVATIONS BY LORD NORTHCLIFFE.

LONDON, Aug. 15.

Lord Northcliffe, in a despatch dated 13th inst., from the Isonzo front, states:—

The Austrian trenches in the Carso region were blasted and drilled in the rock with machinery similar to that used in constructing the Simplon Tunnel. Hordes of Croats and other races worked day and night with pneumatic drills and dynamite making dugouts.

The ferocity of the fighting may be imagined when it is known that the capture of the Calvaria position, outside Gorizia, alone cost Italy fifteen months of bloodshed.

The discovery of kneeling bodies mummified by the scorching heat testifies to the character of the climate.

As an example of the enemy's hatred of the Italians, Italian wounded soldiers were found mutilated, their skulls having been smashed with spiked maces.

A curious fact is that English is often the only language common between the Italians and their prisoners, as both have at one time been resident in the United States or Canada.

Lord Northcliffe throughout his visit on the Italian front did not see an Austrian aeroplane or balloon. Italian balloons flew undisturbed directing the fire of the Italian batteries, while the Austrians are firing blindly.

BRITISH DESTROYER SUNK.

LONDON, Aug. 14.

It is officially announced that the British destroyer *Lassoo* was torpedoed or mined and sunk on the 13th inst., off the Dutch coast.

Two officers and four men are missing.

One officer and a man were slightly wounded.

HOLLAND AND COMPULSORY SERVICE.

THE HAGUE, Aug. 15.

A Bill has been introduced in Parliament to enable the introduction of general compulsory service for Europeans and Natives in the Dutch East-Indies.

ALLIES PROGRESSING ON BULGARIAN FRONT.

SALONIKA, Aug. 15.

The Allies have slowly but inexorably closed up on the Bulgarian line along the whole front from Lake Prispato to Demir Hissar. The enemy is being unintermittently worried by heavy bombardment of the principal lines. Between the belligerents, south-westward of Doiran, there are two minor hills, on which the Allies are gradually creeping.

AMERICAN CABLES.

[FROM THE "MANILA CABLENEWS."]

THE NAVY BILL.

WASHINGTON, August 8.

The House and Senate conferees on the Naval measures have been unable to agree thus far. It is understood that the differences are over the construction programme and personnel.

The Senate members seek adherence to the programme adopted in the Senate.

ARMY FINANCE BILL AGREED ON.

WASHINGTON, August 8.

The members of the Senate and House Committees who have been conferring on the Army Appropriation Bill for the past few days reached an agreement yesterday afternoon according to an announcement made this morning. The sum agreed upon has not yet been given out.

For the first few days of the conference there was an absolute deadlock, the House conferees refusing to add to the total of $267,570,000 appropriated in the House, while the Senate members held out for the expenditure of $313,070,000 provided by the Upper House measure.

Concessions were made by both sides towards the end in order to permit the measure to be reported to Congress.

FUNDS FOR INFANTILE PARALYSIS EPIDEMIC.

WASHINGTON, August 9.

President Wilson yesterday signed a bill providing the sum of P170,000 to be used in the campaign against the infantile paralysis epidemic in New York city.

RAILROAD MEN FAVOUR STRIKE.

WASHINGTON, August 9.

Over 400,000 railroad workers employed by all of the important lines in the United States have voted to strike despite the efforts made to prevent a walk out at this time. The men are seeking shorter hours and increased wages.

SIR DOUGLAS HAIG'S OBJECT.

GERMAN EXPERT'S OPINION OF BRITISH TROOPS.

An account of the progress of the British Offensive, written in the middle of July, says:—

Sir Douglas Haig's object is to keep the Germans on the move, knowing that their successive positions will afford them less and less protection. As the advance continues it will no longer be feasible for the Germans to carry on a rearguard struggle with detachments of machine gunners while the infantry are massed at convenient stations for counter-strokes. Subterranean machine-gun emplacements will soon be rare. Trenches can be dug quickly, but underground shelters take weeks and months to link up into a systematic defence.

THE SPLENDID SUPPLIES OF AMMUNITION available have put heart into the British infantry. There is no chance of a repetition of Looe and Neuve Chapelle mishandles. The War Office announces that since July 1st, owing to the success of the British bombardment, the proportion of slight wounds as compared with serious wounds is very high, proving that the enemy's artillery is being successfully dealt with.

The troops are at last convinced that they have the mastery of the Germans. They advance to each assault with greater dash and courage. There is a significant change in enemy war criticisms. Writing in the "Berliner Tageblatt," Major Morath, who is the chief mouth-piece of the German General Staff, admits the success of the Anglo-French offensive, and adds: The British always go systematically to work, commencing with unimportant tactical advances, but finishing by discovering what they wish to know. They now have enormous quantities of artillery ammunition. The British are not braggarts. They always act with perfect self-control and calmness, and their judgment ought to excite us. But they will not find us asleep. We are crowned critics of the Germans. Sometimes we are [illegible]

THE FIGHT FOR CONTALMAISON.

A TERRIBLE STRUGGLE.

Writing to the "Daily Chronicle," Mr. Philip Gibbs states:—"Prior to the capture of Contalmaison the enemy's shellfire was more intense and widespread than it had been during the past few days. They were bombarding our positions from La Boiselle to Montauban fiercely, searching the poor, broken wood of La Boiselle with shrapnel. High explosives were falling into Montauban village, raising volumes of rose-coloured clouds, possibly from the dust of the red bricks of the ruined houses. At half-past three in the afternoon, the enemy heavily barraged in a straight line below Contalmaison, and formed a wall of black smoke, with only a few gaps. At 4 o'clock our guns concentrated on the Contalmaison 'acid drop' copse—a poor, little straggling wood to the right of Mametz, and the German trenches defending Contalmaison ridge. Smoke belched over the battlefield, and the song of the shells was loud and high. Under those shells, through the smoke, our men moved forward to the assault and captured the village.

The enemy's Contalmaison new position was hopeless. When our guns lifted, and they heard the cheers of our infantry on both sides of the village, many of those still alive and unwounded streamed out of the village in a disorderly retreat, only to be caught by our extended barrages between Contalmaison, Pozieres and Bazentile-Petit, so that

THE ROUT BECAME A SHAMBLES.

Our men entered the village, and thoroughly searched the machine-gun emplacements and the dug-outs, to prevent further trouble from this wasps' nest. The enemy within Contalmaison were in a dreadful state. They had suffered to the very brink of human endurance, and even beyond it. They were surprised to find themselves sufficiently alive to be taken prisoners. One stated that their rations were soon exhausted, and it was impossible to get fresh supplies, owing to our ceaseless gunfire.

"They suffered great

AGONIES FROM THIRST,

and their dead and wounded increased steadily. There was one dark hole in the ground, which held 90 men, lying heaped together. 'This' explained a prisoner, 'was the only dug-out my company had. It was necessary for us to shelter in turns, while the English shells were bursting everywhere. Two or three men would be dragged out to make room for two or three others. Then those who went outside would be either killed or wounded. Some had their heads blown off, and some lost both legs and arms. But we went on taking turns, although those who went out knew it was their turn to die. At last most of those who came into the hole were wounded, some badly. So we lay in our blood, and the doctors bandaged us until the supply of bandages became exhausted. Last night we knew that the end was coming, because our guns began to fire altogether. Shells burst and smashed up the earth about us. We stayed in the hole, awaiting the end. Then we heard your soldiers shouting. Two boys, laden with bombs, came into the hole and seemed to wonder whether they would kill us. But all the wounded cried, "Kameraden" and surrendered.

"Other prisoners state that the

EFFECT OF OUR FIRE WAS TERRIFIC,

at least half of those holding the village being either killed or wounded. When our soldiers entered, they walked over corpses, while those who had escaped death lay on the ground, face to earth, utterly exhausted, or perhaps to blot out from vision the things they had seen. A letter found, written by a German soldier the day before our great attack, said: "The English keep up such a barrage that it is terrible. It must be seven days since the bombardment began. We cannot hold out much longer, as everything is shot to pieces. Our thirst is terrible. We hunt for water and drink out of the shell holes. Our thirst makes us almost mad."

SUFFRAGETTE LIBEL.

£750 DAMAGES FOR HOLLOWAY GAOL DOCTORS.

An echo of the suffragette agitation was heard in the King's Bench last month when three medical officers at Holloway Gaol were awarded £750 damages in respect of a libel appearing in the "Suffragette" on June 12, 1914.

There had been a hunger strike by imprisoned suffragettes, and in an article Dr. Frank Moxon accused Dr. F. E. Forward, Dr. F. J. W. Sass and Dr. W. D. Higson, the medical officers, of making the task of forcible feeding easy by means of drugs by which their lives and reason were imperilled. There was not a word of truth in the story, said counsel.

Dr. Moxon, who is now working in France, had fully apologised, and a complete withdrawal had been made by the following defendants:—The Women's Press, Ltd., Mrs. Pankhurst, Mrs. Tuke, Nora Dacre Fox, Beatrice Sanders, and the Scottish Newspapers Publishing Company, Limited. It was against these defendants that judgment was given. Messrs. W. H. Smith and Sons, who had been also sued as distributors of the journal, were dismissed from the action.

Mr. Justice Darling observed that Lord Justice Bowen once said that carrying about a newspaper was not like carrying fire, but that depended on what newspaper one carried about; some newspapers would damp anything (Laughter).

Commenting upon a statement that many of the ladies were now working in the hospitals in France, he said that they were all doing good works and it they still wanted all they asked for they would get much more likely means of getting it now.

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A notable tribute to the stability of British war finance is made by Lord Revelstoke, the eminent banker, in an interview granted to the United Press of America.

Head of the firm of Baring Brothers, and a director of the Bank of England, he is well qualified to give an authoritative opinion, says the interviewer, on our war bill of nearly £5,000,000 a day.

"Whatever may have been the case in Berlin," he said, "English bankers, at least, had no foreknowledge of the calamity that was to strike Europe in August 1914. But after nearly two years of a war waged in a manner far more exhausting than any nation had anticipated, one can say that the edifice of credit in London stands firm and that the delicate banking machinery works smoothly. For this the world has chiefly to thank the courageous policy adopted by the Cabinet and the Treasury during the first months of war.

"London's credit is not like Berlin's. He went on, it is being tested every day by the standards of other countries overseas, and if it were found wanting, the world would quickly know it. London is the centre of the sensitive net-work of nerves which constitute the foreign exchanges. Banks and merchants all over the world have credits in London on which they may draw at any moment. London has attained its present position owing largely to the volume of foreign trade to and from the shores of England.

"War tends to cripple exports because it turns productive workers into soldiers. Imports, in turn, have to be restricted as far as possible to the necessaries of war. But, despite these disadvantages, London remains the world's financial clearing-house, because exports have been possible to an extent beyond expectation, partly owing to the sound financial policy of the Government, and partly to the use of the great reservoir of labour, previously untouched here, women and men who did no work before having taken the places of those who have gone to the trenches.

"Chiefly the successful maintenance of exports is due to the British Navy, whose protection of the world's seaborne commerce has enabled the City of London to do its share in the great struggle. Notably it is the Navy which has made it possible for the Allies to obtain from America that unprecedented supply of munitions.

OUR TRADE BALANCE.

"Although the orders placed in America have had the effect of trusting a trade balance adverse to the allied countries, the fall in the American exchange has been arrested by the "mobilisation" of securities and the restrictions on certain imports.

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BRITISH MONEY FOR ALLIES.

Part of the British share is to finance the Allies; over £400,000,000 were advanced to the Allies and Dominions during the last financial year, and the amount is not likely to decrease. The bill is provided for in the British calculations.

Asked how London views the growing financial power of the United States, Lord Revelstoke said that never had the friendship between bankers in America and England been more cordial, a fact which he could personally confirm from the intercourse he had during the last six months with leading financiers.

American and British ideals in this respect are similar, both nations believing in using their money power for the development of the newer countries which can only increase the prosperity of the whole world. It is in the joint endeavours of the United States and Great Britain that the financial world will look when the reign of force is over and the hour for reconstruction arrives.

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SHANGHAI	ANHUI	Aug. 20, Daylight.
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HOIHOW & HAIPHONG	*TAKSANG	FRIDAY, Aug. 18, at 7 a.m.
* MANILA	*YUENSANG	SATURDAY, Aug. 19, at 3 p.m.
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VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE, Via KEELUNG, SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, SHIMIDZU & YOKOHAMA	§ YOKOHAMA MARU, Capt. Shinobe, Tons 12,500	FRIDAY, 1st Sept. at 4 p.m.
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Hongkong, Aug. 12, 1916.

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"The pluckiest thing I saw," a wounded officer told a "Daily Chronicle" representative recently, "was a piper of the Tyneside Scottish playing his company over the parapet in the attack on the German trenches near Albert. The Tynesiders were on our right, and as their officers gave the signal to advance I saw the piper—I think he was a pipe-major—jump out of the trench and march straight over No Man's Land towards the German lines. The tremendous rattle of the machine gun and rifle fire which the enemy at once opened on us completely drowned the sound of his pipes, but it was obvious that he was playing as though he would burst the bag, and, just faintly through the din we heard the mighty shout his comrades gave as they swarmed over after him.

"How he escaped death I can't understand, for the ground was literally ploughed up by the hail of bullets. But he seemed to bear a charmed life, and the last glimpse I had of him, as we, too, dashed out, showed him still marching erect, playing furiously, and quite regardless of the flying bullets and of the men dropping all around him."

GALLANT COMMANDER.

The same officer told of the gallantry of his commanding officer, who led his cheering men to the capture of both first and second line trenches. Three times in quick succession he was struck by flying bullets, but still led the attack, and it was not until he received his fifth wound, from a piece of shrapnel, that the indomitable commander gave in and allowed himself to be carried to the rear.

"In 20 months' experience of almost continuous fighting at the front," this officer continued, "I have never heard or seen anything like our bombardment of the German trenches. Our 'heavies' absolutely reduced to mere wreckage the trenches and defences of Ovillers, and as the huge shells burst great clouds of dust and masses of earth were hurled up as though mines had been sprung.

"At the same time I have never known anything like the machine gun fire which greeted us as we left our trenches for the attack. To our excited imaginations there seemed to be scores and scores of these deadly weapons, and the air seemed alive with flying bullets. Men were mowed down before they got anywhere near the German lines. But the way they went through was splendid. Without a falter they charged straight on, and when I was bowled out at the second line they had cleared everything before them and were still charging ahead.

"TIPPERARY" QUIETLY BURIED.

"The most remarkable thing about the fighting, seeing the nature of the attack, was the very small amount of artillery fire from the Germans. They appeared to rely principally on the machine-guns, and this seems to bear out the statements of some of the prisoners that the best part of their guns had been removed to the rear during our bombardment.

"The behaviour of the men was magnificent. All through the night they were as cheerful and merry as a pack of school-boys, singing comic songs and whistling. George Robey's song, 'Another Little Drink Wouldn't Do Us Any Harm,' seemed to be first favourite in their repertoire. No, we did not sing 'Tipperary'! That's been quietly and decently buried at the front. But as the time for the attack drew near everyone was quiet, all waiting eagerly and anxiously for the signal, and when it did come you could see from the expression on the men's faces that they meant business, and that nothing on earth could stop them once they got going."

The same officer paid a glowing tribute to the regimental stretcher-bearers and to the R.A.M.C. doctors, all of whom continually risked their lives in attending to the wounded in the bullet-swept No Man's Land.

THRONES OR TRUNKS WOOD?

Is it Bois des Trones or Bois des Tronc? The first means Thrones Wood; the second Trunks Wood. Undoubtedly, says a writer in a London contemporary, our Headquarters in France believes that it is Thrones Wood. Our communiques use that name; and there can be no doubt that our soldiers who are fighting in the very wood itself call it Thrones Wood. But the decision lies with the French, and they call it Trunks Wood. It is printed Bois des Tronc quite plainly upon the French ordnance map, which, of course, is the ultimate authority. It is possible, remotely perhaps, that long ago the French ordnance service was guilty of a printer's error, and that ever since the villages of Montauban and the neighbouring country have allowed the wood they call Thrones Wood to be officially miscalled Trunks Wood. Against that supposition is the improbability of such an error going uncorrected for so long.

Besides, it is not an easy misprint for a Frenchman to make: "trones" has a circumflex accent which marks it out quite distinctly from "tronc." But it is a very easy misprint for an Englishman, unaccustomed to the importance of accents. Our staff maps are, of course, not the result of a special survey but are based upon the French map. The explanation must therefore be that our War Office map maker has made a simple error in copying. Surely this is the first time that a great battle has brought a misprint to light.

TOO MANY SINGLE YOUNG MEN AT MUNITION WORKS.

Sir J. McCraith, who presided recently at the Nottingham Military Tribunal, described as "a national disgrace" the large number of eligible single men employed at munition factories, when so many married men were being taken for active service.

At the House of Commons Appeal Tribunal the case of the single man came up for consideration. The clerk of the City of London Court appealed for a clerk on his staff, and unmarried.

Mr. Maclean, M.P. (chairman): You must do without young fellows of 21 and unmarried. They cannot be kept in public offices.

Appellant: I have had five men serving voluntarily, and one has been killed. There are six more to go. I don't know where I shall be.

The appeal was dismissed and appellant was advised to arrange with the military authorities as to his other eligible men.

To a single man, of 30, who claimed on the ground that he was the owner of a "one-man" business, Mr. Maclean said: "The one-man business provision was intended to apply to married men," and, in dismissing the appeal, he added: "We cannot have young, single men going about when married men with children are being compelled to join up. It may be hard, but we are at war."

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B'bay, v. S'pore, C'bo.	Rangoon Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Aug. 23.
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Haiphong	Sangtiang	Butterfield & Swire	Aug. 20, at 10 a.m.
Honolulu via Japan &c.	Anyo Maru	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	Sept. 12, at Noon.
London	City of Norwich	The Bank Line, Ld.	Sept. 5.
London v. S'pore &c.	Nore	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Aug. 25, at Noon.
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N'kai, Kobe & Y'hama	Nikko Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Sept. 16, at Noon.
San F'cisco, v. Japan	Persia Maru	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	Sept. 21, 10.30 a.m
San F'cisco v. Japan	Tenyo Maru	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	Oct. 4, at Noon.
San F'cisco v. N'saki	Thina	China Mail Co. Ltd.	Sept. 5.
Shanghai	Kwongsang	Jardine M'son Co. Ltd.	Aug. 18, Daylight.
Shanghai	Sinking	Butterfield & Swire	Aug. 17, at 4 p.m.
Shatighai	Anhui	Butterfield & Swire	Aug. 20, Daylight.
S'hai & Japan Ports	Namur	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Aug. 27.
S'hai & Japan Ports	Sardinia	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Sept. 9.
S'hai, Kobe & Y'hama	Tosa Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Aug. 20.
S'hai, Kobe & Y'hama	Kitano Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Aug. 25, at 10 a.m.
S'hai, Moji & Kobe	Penang Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Aug. 18.
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Victoria, B.C. & Japan	Canada Maru	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	Aug. 16, at 3 p.m.
V'ria, B.C. Seattle &c.	Yokohama Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Sept. 7, at 4 p.m.
V'ria, B.C. Seattle &c.	Sado Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Sept. 14, at 4 p.m.
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£	1 Bukit Kajang	47/6	52/6
2/-	Bukit Mertajam	3/3	4/-
£	1 Bukit Rajah	100/-	110/-
2/-	Bukit Selangor	1/-	1/6
$	1 Bukit Sembawang	2/7	2/10
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£	1 Golconda	45/-	52/6
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BANDOENG,	SAMARANG,
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DJOKJAKARTA,	SINGAPORE,
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MAKASSAR,	SOERAKARTA (Solo)
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PEKALONGAN,	TJILATJAP,
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The Bank buys and sells and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, issues letters of credit on its Branches and correspondents in the East, on the Continent, in Great Britain, America and Australia, and transacts banking business of every description.

J. F. VAN REES,
Agents.

Hongkong, Feb. 9, 1916.

BANKS

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION

PAID-UP CAPITAL	$15,000,000.
RESERVE FUNDS—	
Sterling £1,500,000 @ 2/=	$15,000,000
Silver	18,000,000
	$33,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS	$15,000,000

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HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Account at the rate of Two per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—

For 3 months 2½ per cent. per annum
" 6 " 3½ " "
" 12 " 4 " "

N. J. STABB,
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Hongkong, Feb. 19, 1916.

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THE business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed on the minimum monthly balances at 3½ PER CENT. per annum. Depositors may transfer at their option balances of $100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK, to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.
N. J. STABB,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 14, 1914. 1517

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital ...	21,500,000
Subscribed	1,125,00
Paid-up	562,500
Reserve Fund...	550,000

BANKERS,
BANK OF ENGLAND,
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

Every description of Exchange business transacted.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at 2 per cent. per annum on Daily Balance and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained on application.

C. CHAMPKIN,
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Hongkong, March 27, 1916.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA AUSTRALIA & CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1853.

HEAD OFFICE, LONDON.

PAID-UP CAPITAL	21,200,000
RESERVE FUND	21,800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS	21,200,000

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

T. C. DOWNING,
Manager.

Hongkong, June 13, 1916.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LTD.

ESTABLISHED 1880.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL ...	Yen 48,000,000.00
PAID-UP CAPITAL	" 30,000,000.00
RESERVE FUND	20,400,000.00

HEAD OFFICE—YOKOHAMA.

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ANTUNG-HSIEN	NAGASAKI
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LIAO-YANG	TIENTSIN
LONDON	TOKIO
LOS ANGELES	TSINANFU
LYONS	TSINGTAU

Interest allowed on Current Accounts.

Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

EISHI ONO
Manager.

Hongkong, March 17, 1916.

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Can be obtained at the following places in Hongkong:—

The Hongkong Hotel.
The Hongkong Ferry Wharf.
The Kowloon Ferry Wharf.
The Upper Peak Tram Station.
The Lower Peak Tram Station.
Wo-Cheong (Ice Agency Depot).
Hung Cheong (Kowloon).

To-day's Advertisements

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED), on

MONDAY,

the 21st August, 1916, at 11 a.m., at No. 2 Ormsby Terrace, Kowloon,

SUNDRY

VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

therein contained.

Consisting of:—

Teakwood Hallstand, 2 Teakwood Sideboards, 2 Overmantels, Teakwood China Cabinet, Blackwood Stools and Chairs, Dinner Service, Glass Ware, etc., etc., 2 Teakwood Wardrobes with Bevelled Mirrors, 2 Iron Camp Beds, Marble-top Bureau, Child's Cot, Shanghai Bath,

Also

A few lots of Brass Jardinieres, Vases, etc., a number of Japanese Tea Sets and Piano by S. Moutrie & Co.,

On view from Sunday the 20th.

TERMS:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, Aug. 16, 1916. 936

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Liquidators of Chs. J. Gaupp & Co. to sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY,

the 22nd August, 1916, commencing at 10.30 a.m. to 12.30, continuing at 2.30 p.m., on their Premise's Alexandra Buildings, Chater Road,

FITTINGS AND FURNITURE,

Comprising:—

Show Cases by Sage, London.
Counter, " " "
Plate Glass Window Fittings.
Double Dial Show Clock.
Diamond Scale.
Desks; Filing Cabinets; Watchmakers Work Desks;
Watchmakers and Jewellers Tools and Repair Material;
Remington Typewriters No. 10.

Also

Sundry Lots,
Large Jewellers Safe by Chubb, London;
&c., &c., &c.

(Full Particulars from Catalogue.)

On view from 19th August.
Catalogues will be issued.
Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, Aug. 16, 1916. 937

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY,

the 23rd August, 1916, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vœux Road, Corner of Ice House Street,

VALUABLE TEAKWOOD AND BLACKWOOD FURNITURE,

&c., &c.,

As Follows:—

Persian and Indian Carpets and Rugs, Upholstered Suites, Arm-chairs and Sofas, Card Tables, Bedroom Furniture, Double Brass-mounted Bedstead, Twin Bedsteads (Teakwood) Sideboard, Dinner Waggons, Extension Dining Tables and Chairs, Tea and Occasional Tables, etc., etc., Dinner Service, Crockery, Glass Ware, Cooking Stoves, Cutlery, Toilet Sets, &c., Bath Room Utensils, Large Desks and Writing Table, etc., a quantity of Electro Plated Ware,

Also

"Caille" Portable Motors with Battery, etc., complete, 2 Pianos in good condition, Electric Reading Lamps, Blackwood and Teakwood Screens, a quantity of Blackwood Furniture, Pictures, Engravings, a few Oil Paintings, &c.

And

One Tennis Net and Poles, One New Bicycle, Typewriters, &c.

(Full Particulars from Catalogue.)

TERMS:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, Aug. 16, 1916. 940

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED), on

TUESDAY,

the 29th August, 1916, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vœux Road, Corner of Ice House Street,

SPORTING GUNS AND RIFLES,

As follows:—

One Mauser Magazine Rifle 318 Bore,
One Rifle by Edwinson, Green & Sons, 297/250 Bore;

Also

Two 12-Bore Double Barrell Hammer Guns, (One by Jeffery & Sons, London and One by Edwinson, Green & Sons).

And

A number of lots of Sporting Ammunition, 12 and 20-Bore.

Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, Aug. 16, 1916. 939

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OUR AGENCIES

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OFFICES, at 2 Connaught Road.

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Apply:—

HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY Co., LTD.

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THREE-ROOMED FLATS in Humphreys Buildings, Kowloon.

FOUR-ROOMED FLATS in May Road, with every modern convenience, including English Baths and Kitchen Ranges, Hot Water and Water Carriage System. A few Flats specially designed to accommodate three bachelors at reasonable rentals. Immediate possession.

FOUR-ROOMED HOUSES in Gordon Terrace and Salisbury Avenue, Kowloon.

TWO ROOMED-FLATS in Nathan Road, Kowloon.

Apply to—

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
Alexandra Buildings.

Hongkong, Dec. 29, 1915.

TO LET.

OFFICES on 1st Floor, No. 3 Queen's Road Central, at present in the occupation of The China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Apply to—

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE Co., LTD.

Hongkong, April 28, 1916. 59

TO LET.

ONE FLAT of FOUR ROOMS over Kowloon Dispensary, partly furnished.—Apply Kowloon Dispensary, or Secretary A. S. Watson & Co., Limited.

Hongkong, June 16, 1916. 751

TO LET.

HOUSE in Kowloon:—No. 2, Torres Building.

Apply to CHANG FUK SHU, C/o YEE SANG FAT & Co.

34, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, Aug. 12, 1916. 926

TO LET.

OFFICES, 2nd Floor, St. George's Buildings.

Apply to—

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.

Hongkong, April 7, 1916. 511

TO LET.

A SMALL GODOWN in Prince's Building.

For particulars etc. apply

THE HONGKONG CENTRAL ESTATE LTD.

Hongkong, May, 2, 1916. 823

TO LET.

OFFICES in Prince Building.

Apply to—

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.
Liquidators
REUTER BROCKELMANN & Co.

Hongkong, April 15, 1916. 542

EXCHANGE

Hongkong, August 16, 1916.

On London—
Bank Wire 2/1⅛
" On demand 2/1 9/16
" 30 days' sight 2/1⅛
" 4 months' sight, ...2/1 13/16
Credits, 4 months' sight, ...2/2⅛
Documentary, 4 months' sight 2/2⅜

On Paris—
On demand, ...300
Credits, 4 months' sight, ...310½

On New York—
On demand, ...50⅜
Credits, 60 days sight, ...——

On Bombay—
Wire, ...——
On demand, ...158⅜

On Calcutta—
Wire, ...——
On demand 158⅜

On Singapore—
On demand, ...90⅛

On Manila—
On demand, ...100½

On Shanghai—
On demand 72
30 days' sight (private paper) ——

On Yokohama—
On demand, ...100⅜

Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per tael) ...53.10
Sovereigns (Banks' Buying rate) $9.20 n.
Silver (per oz.) 31 ⅛
Bar Silver in Hongkong ... 18 ⅞ n.p.
Chinese Copper Cash par
Chinese Copper Cents par
Rate of Native Interest ... 6% p.a.
Chinese Sub. Gold 14 12/16% dis.
Hongkong Sub. Coin 7 % dis.

SHIPPING

ARRIVALS.

August 15.

Huichow, British str., 1,222, G. Hooker, Bangkok Aug. 9, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

August 16.

Hai Hong, British steamer, 1,270, J. W. Evans, Foochow August 13, Amoy 14, and Swatow 15, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP Co., LD.

Tungshing, British steamer, 1,772, L. Hussey, Saigon Aug. 12, Rice.—CHINESE.

Kaijo Maru, Japanese str., 1,126, K. Murakami, Swatow Aug. 15, General.—O. S. K.

Kenkon Maru, Japanese str., 1,351, Itô, Chinwangtao August 8, Coal.—DODWELL & Co., LD.

Kaiho Maru, Japanese steamer, 2,582, Kobayashi, Karatsu August 10, Coal.—SNOWMAN & Co.

DEPARTURES.

August 16.

Shinyo Maru, for Shanghai and San Francisco.
Taiyuan, for Manila and Australia.
Soshu Maru, for Swatow and Takao.
Loksang, for Hoihow and Haiphong.
Kafue, for Singapore.
Haldis, for Swatow and Bangkok.
Kueichow, for Canton.
Shun Chong, for Quinhon and Tourane.
Saugola, for Samarang.
City of Naples, for Shanghai and New York.
Tungshin, for Saigon.
Kwangtuh, for Shanghai.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Hai Hong*, from Coast Ports, Mr B. L. Anderson, Miss Catherine Ferguson, Mrs W. J. Wilkinson, Misses H. and L. Wilkinson, Master H. Wilkinson, Mrs J. T. Thickwell.

DEPARTED.

Per *Somali*, for London, &c., Mr F. Johnstone, Mr A. Grant, Mr A. G. Hawkes, Mrs Du Sankee, Master S. Du Sankee, Master F. Du Sankee, Messrs E. P. Marett, G. Gennings, J. J. H. Hipkiss, G. G. Wycherley, G. Griffiths, H. J. Bailey, H. G. Cooper, E. Seabury, W. Ross, W. Moran, G. E. Little, R. Sturgeon, W. Kitt, F. Raffill, C. Lacy, R. Thompson, W. Caldwell, E. Courtis, P. Forest, E. Pallett, G. Cook, J. Redmond, M. T. Brown, W. Scourfield, G. Pennemore, H. Adams, E. Wilkins, A. Joyce, T. Cotton, R. Davies, W. Hearn, A. Fairbrass, J. Ferguson, J. Holmes, C. Hill, R. Miller, R. J. Anwyl, Master H. Compton, Mr J. T. D. Rodrigues, Mrs Yasiki, Mr T. Kumagai, Mr P. R. Cummings, Mr L. F. Payne, Mr and Mrs C. W. Hall, Mr Fuyuki, Mr Lanepoot, Mr W. Lowe, Mr C. S. H. Bolton, Mr and Mrs S. Cohen.

Per *Aki Maru*, for Australia, Mr F. W. Pett, Mr J. A. Foster, Mr C. M. Brooks, Mr and Mrs R. M. Calkins, Miss L. L. Calkins, Miss H. M. Landon, Mr J. Burnett, Mr K. Onishi, Miss Allen, Miss D. Richards, Mr T. Aizawa, Mr and Mrs Bartley, Mr and Mrs S. Allen, Master Allen, Dr W. G. Callum, Mr H. Kempf, Mr T. J. Cokely, Mr Hall, Hon. Mr T. C. Beirne, Mrs G. E. Drake, Miss O. E. N. Plant, Mr and Mrs A. G. Cox, Mr C. B. Humphreys, Mr T. B. Woods, Mr and Mrs J. M. Noronha, Mr K. Takagi, Mr Y. Suzuki, Mr and Mrs J. J. Steep, Mr J. H. Lester, Mr H. Sandland, Mrs A. C. Combage, Miss Fisher, Mr L. H. Roddis, Mr C. G. Carleton, Miss F. M. Drake, Mrs T. Deguchi, Mrs H. Katshita, Miss I. Tagami, Messrs W. T. Herbert, W. T. Herbert, Hatayama, S. Sano, Yashima, Mr and Mrs Filomeno de Sa and child, Mr C. H. Mattins, Mr C. Lavares, Mr S. Nagatomi.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Huichow* from Bangkok reports: Showery, but fine.

The British steamer *Hai Hong* from Swatow reports: Moderate breeze, heavy Southerly swell, cloudy and clear.

PASSENGERS EXPECTED.

Per *Kitano Maru*, from London July 1, Mrs M. Hinton, Miss V. M. Hinton, Mrs C. E. Couling, Mr C. D. Smith, Mr S. Murayama.

STEAMERS MOVEMENTS.

Mails.

The China Mail Steamship Co., Ltd.'s s.s. *China* left San Francisco on August 1st, and may be expected to arrive in Hongkong on August 29th.

Other Vessels.

The s.s. *Shivala* from Calcutta, left Calcutta on the 4th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 21st inst.

Temperature.

Hongkong, August 16, 1916.

BAROMETER	9 A.M.	———	29.77
Do.	1 P.M.	———	29.73
Do.	4 P.M.	———	29.69
THERMOMETER	9 A.M.	———	82
Do.	1 P.M.	———	85
Do.	4 P.M.	———	86
Do. (Wet bulb)	9 A.M.	———	79
Do.	1 P.M.	———	80
Do. (Wet bulb)	4 P.M.	———	80
Do. Maximum	———	———	86
Do. Minimum	———	———	80

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

IN RADIO-TELEGRAPH COMMUNICATION.

Ships in communication with Cape D'Aguilar Radio Telegraph Station:—

Somali *Malta*
Aki Maru *City of Naples*
Shinyo Maru

DOWARD MAILS.

SHANGHAI (via Swatow)—Per s.s. *Anhui*, Aug. 17.

The Services to Germany, Austria, Bulgaria and the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

Correspondence addressed to enemy subjects in China, Siam, Liberia, Portuguese East Africa, Persia and Morocco cannot be transmitted.

Mails will close for:—

SWATOW.
Per *Hupeh*, at 11 a.m., on Thursday, the 17th Aug.

WEIHAIWEI & TIENTSIN.
Per *Chipshing*, at 11 a.m., on Thursday, the 17th Aug.

HOIHOW & HAIPHONG.
Per *Hongkong*, at 11 a.m., on Thursday, the 17th Aug.

CHINWANGTAO.
Per **Kenkon Maru*, at 11 a.m., on Thursday, the 17th Aug.

SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA & JAPAN Via KOBE.
Per *Knight Companion*, at 11 a.m., on Thursday, the 17th Aug.

STRAITS, BURMAH & INDIA Via CALCUTTA.
Per *Hopsang*, at 2 p.m., on Thursday, the 17th Aug.

SHANGHAI & NORTH CHINA.
(Europe via Siberia).
Per *Simkiang*. Registration at 2.15 p.m. Letters at 3 p.m., on Thursday, the 17th Aug.
[Shanghai Chi. P.O., Monday, 21st Aug.]

AMOY.
Per **Hong Bee*, at 5 p.m., on Thursday, the 17th Aug.

FORMOSA Via KEELUNG, SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA, JAPAN Via MOJI, VICTORIA & UNITED STATES & SOUTH AMERICA via TACOMA.
Per *Canada Maru*. Registration at 12.15 p.m. Letters at 1 p.m., on Friday, the 18th Aug.

SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.
Per *Hai Hong*, at 1.30 p.m., on Friday, the 18th Aug.

TIENTSIN.
Per *Kueichow*, at 3 p.m., on Friday, the 18th Aug.

SHANGHAI & NORTH CHINA.
Per *Anhui*, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 19th Aug.

STRAITS, BURMAH, COLOMBO, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, DURBAN, CAPE TOWN & *UNITED KINGDOM.
Per *Atrato Maru*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 20th Aug.

HAIPHONG.
Per **Sungkiang*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 20th Aug.

SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.
Per *Haiching*, at 1.30 p.m., on Tuesday, the 22nd Aug.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.
Per *Tean*, at 3 p.m., on Tuesday, the 22nd Aug.

STRAITS, BURMAH, *COLOMBO, *INDIA, *ADEN, *EGYPT, DURBAN, CAPE TOWN & *UNITED KINGDOM.
Per *Hitachi Maru*, at 11 a.m., on Thursday, the 24th Aug.

STRAITS, BURMAH, CEYLON, ADELAIDE, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT & EUROPE.
Per *Nore*. Registration at 10.15 a.m. Letters at 11 a.m., on Friday, the 25th Aug.
The Parcel Mail will be closed on Thursday, the 24th Aug., at 5 p.m.

AUSTRALIA, NEW GUINEA, TASMANIA & NEW ZEALAND Via THURSDAY ISLAND.
Per *St. Albans*, at 10 a.m., on Saturday, the 26th Aug.

FORMOSA Via KEELUNG, SHANGHAI NORTH CHINA, JAPAN Via MOJI, VICTORIA & SEATTLE.
Per *Yokohama Maru*, at 3 p.m., on Friday, the 1st Sept.

SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA, JAPAN Via NAGASAKI, VICTORIA, B.C., VANCOUVER, UNITED STATES, SOUTH AMERICA & UNITED KINGDOM Via CANADA.
(Europe via Siberia.)
Per *Empress of Russia*. Registration at 9.45 a.m. Letters at 10.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 6th Sept.
[Shanghai Chi. P.O., Saturday, 9th Sept.]

*Superscribed correspondence only.

HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1887-8-9.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet 2 inches below mean sea level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 3 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 6 inches to the height given in the table.

August 17th to 23rd, 1916.

		High Water		Low Water	
		Hongkong Mean Time	Height	Hongkong Mean Time	Height
		h. m.	feet.	h. m.	feet.
Thur.	17	0 14	6.9	6 37	2.1
		12 48	6.9	6 57	2.1
Fri.	18	1 14	6.8	7 37	2.2
		1 48	6.8	7 57	2.2
Sat.	19	2 14	6.7	8 37	2.3
		2 48	6.7	8 57	2.3
Sun.	20	3 14	6.6	9 37	2.4
		3 48	6.6	9 57	2.4
Mon.	21	4 14	6.5	10 37	2.5
		4 48	6.5	10 57	2.5
Tues.	22	5 14	6.4	11 37	2.6
		5 48	6.4	11 57	2.6
Wed.	23	6 14	6.3	12 37	2.7
		6 48	6.3	12 57	2.7

WEATHER REPORT.

On the 16th at 11.30—No returns from Japan or N.E. China.

Pressure has decreased slightly along the coast from Shanghai to Amoy, and increased slightly from Hongkong to Cape St. James and Borneo. It is nearly stationary over the Philippines.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch.

Total since January 1st, 65.00 inches, against an average of 69.77 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on the 17th August:—

1.—Hongkong to Gap Rock: Light or variable winds; fair.

2.—Formosa Channel: The same as No. 1.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks: The same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: The same as No. 1.

OFFICIAL NIGHTS IN AUGUST.

The following Table shows the Standard Time at which Official Night ends and begins during the month of August, 1916:—

Date.	Ends.	Begins.
Aug. 16th,	5.49 a.m.	7.06 p.m.
" 17th,	5.50 "	7.04 "
" 18th,	5.51 "	7.03 "
" 19th,	5.51 "	7.03 "
" 20th,	5.51 "	7.02 "
" 21st,	5.51 "	7.01 "
" 22nd,	5.51 "	7.00 "
" 23rd,	5.51 "	6.59 "
" 24th,	5.52 "	6.58 "
" 25th,	5.52 "	6.58 "
" 26th,	5.53 "	6.57 "
" 27th,	5.54 "	6.56 "
" 28th,	5.54 "	6.56 "
" 29th,	5.54 "	6.55 "
" 30th,	5.54 "	6.54 "
" 31st,	5.54 "	6.54 "

ROYAL OBSERVATORY.

HONGKONG DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

AUGUST 16, 1916.—a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer at Sea Level.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind Direction.	Wind Force.	Weather.
Vl'dvostock	6 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nemuro	6 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hakodate	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tokio	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kochi	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nagasaki	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kagoshima	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Oshima	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Naha	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ishi'jima	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bonnisland	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Chefoo	6 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Weihaiwei	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hankow	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ichang	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kiukiang	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Chungking	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shanghai	"	29.59	81	92	NE	4	o
Tsitsihar	"	29.62	80	96	NE	6	o
Sharp Pk	"	29.59	84	99	W	1	b
Amoy	6 a.	29.71	83	81	W	1	b
Swatow	6 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Taihoku	8 a.	29.65	77	91	—	0	o
Taichu	"	29.69	77	—	—	0	o
Tainan	"	29.71	77	—	ESE	4	o
Koshun	"	29.69	81	—	SW	4	o
Pescadores	"	29.68	79	—	NW	2	o
Canton	6 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hongkong	"	29.67	80	90	—	0	o
Gap Rock	"	29.68	—	—	NW	3	o
Macao	"	29.72	81	92	ENE	1	o
Wuchow	9 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pakhoi	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hoihow	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Phuilen	8 a.	29.71	79	93	NNW	2	o
Tourane	"	29.69	81	—	WNW	4	o
C. St. James	"	29.79	75	—	SW	4	o
Aparri	"	29.75	77	92	S	2	o
Dagupan	"	29.78	77	92	ESE	1	o
Manila	"	29.82	77	96	—	0	o
Legaspi	"	29.81	77	94	—	0	b
Tacloban	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Iloilo	"	29.84	79	89	SW	4	o
Surigao	"	29.84	75	92	WSW	1	o
Labuan	"	29.83	78	94	NNE	2	o

T. F. CLAXTON, *Director.*

Hongkong Observatory, Aug. 16, 1916.

1. BAROMETER, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit, on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

2. TEMPERATURE, in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.

3. HUMIDITY, in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.

4. DIRECTION OF WIND, to two points.

5. FORCE OF WIND, according to Beaufort Scale.

6. STATE OF WEATHER, b blue sky, c detached cloud, d drizzling rain, f fog, g gloomy, h hail, l lightning, o overcast, p passing showers, q squal, r rain, s snow, t thunder, v visibility, w dew (wet).

7. RAIN in inches, tenths and hundredths.

HONGKONG REGISTER.

	Previous day at 8 p.m.	To date at 8 a.m.	On date at 8 p.m.
Barometer	29.79	29.72	29.65
Temperature	85	80	83
Humidity	76	90	65
Direction of Wind	W.	Calm	NE.
Force	2	0	3
Weather	c	c	c
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest mean air temperature on the night of [illegible] open air temperature on the [illegible]

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Hongkong Observatory, Aug. 16, 1916.

SHARE REPORT.

AUGUST 16TH, 1916.

Stock and paid up Value	Qtions 11.30 A.M.	Last Dividend and date.	Returns based on last year's div.
BANKS.			
Hongkong & S'hai $125	$740 b. & ss.	£2.5 interim	6⅔ p.c.
MARINE INSURANCES.			
Cantons$ 50	$395	$7 final a/c 1914, $18 Interim a/c 1915	6 p.c.
North Chinas£5	T. 155	Int. 12½ % a/c 1915	
Unions $100	$920	Final of $20 and bonus $10 a/c 1914. Interim of $30 a/c 1915	5⅓ p.c.
Yangtzes$ 50	$220	Final of $15 making $18 for 1914 and Int. of $8 on account 1915 ...	7⅔ p.c.
FIRE INSURANCES.			
China Fires$ 20	$154 b.	$7 and bonus $2 for 1914.	5⅓ p.c.
Hongkong Fires ...$ 50	$385 ss.	$27 for 1914	5⅓ p.c.
SHIPPING.			
Douglas Steamships $50	$133½	$5 Int. for 1915/1916 ...	p.a.
Steamboats$ 15	$22½ s.	$1 for 1915.....	p.c.
Indo-Chinas:— (Preferred)..... $46 b. (Deferred) $127½ ss.		6/- for 1915 10/- Bonus..... 6/- for 1915	
"Shell" Transports £1	109/- b.	5/- a/c 1915 Coupon 26 2/- a/c 1915 Coupon 28	
"Star Ferry"$ 10	$36 b.	$1.65 dividend 45 cents Bonus for year ending 30-4-16	6⅔ p.c.
REFINERIES.			
China Sugars$100	$114 s.	$12 for 1915	
Malabon Sugars.....$100	$38½ b. $40 s.	$5 for 1915.....	
MINING.			
Kailans£1	31/-	1/- a/c 1915/16, Coupons Nos. 7	
Langkats gdrs. 10	T. 26½ ss.	Tls. 1 for 1916	
Raubs.....£1	$2½ b.	2/- a/c 1915	
Tronoh Mines£1	30/-	1/- a/c 1915.....	
Ural Caspians£1	34/-	9 % for 1915	
DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.			
Kowloon Wharves $ 50	$83 b.	$3½ for 1915	4⅓ p.c.
H.K. & Whampoa Docks.....$ 50	$125½ b.	$5 a/c 1915	4⅓ p.c.
Shanghai Docks T. 100	T. 68	Tls. 7½ for year ending 30-4-16	
Hongkew Wharfs T. 100	T. 84	Tls. 3 for 1915	5⅓ p.c.
HOTELS, LANDS AND BUILDINGS.			
Hongkong Hotels...$ 50	$115	$5 a/c 1915	
Central Estates ...$100	$100	$7 a/c 1915.....	8 p.c.
Hongkong Lands...$100	$100	Interim div. of $3½	
Humphreys Estates $ 10	$6⅜	35 cents for 1915	6 p.c.
Kowloon Lands ...$ 30	$38	$3½ for 1915	12 p.c.
West Points$ 50	$88	Interim of $2	7⅓ p.c.
Shanghai Lands T. 50	T. 95	12% for 1915 and 1 tael bonus	
COTTON MILLS.			
Ewos T. 50	T. 148 b.	Tls. 16 for year ending 31-10-15	11 p.c.
Shanghai Cottons T. 50	T. 93½ b.	Tls. 6 div. & Tls. 1½ bonus for year ending 30-6-5	7½ p.c.
Kung Yik.....T. 10	T. 13½ b.	Tls. 1½ for 1915.....	13 p.c.
Yangtzepoos T. 5	T. 4½ b.		
MISCELLANEOUS.			
China-Borneos$ 12	$8½ s.	75 cts. for 1915.....	8⅓ p.c.
Light & Power ...$ 5	$4½ b.	6 p.c. for year ending 28-2-06	9 p.c.
China Providents $ 10	$8.60 b.	70 cents for 1915	7 p.c.
Dairy Farms.....$ 6	$41	$1.25 for year ending 31-7-15	4⅓ p.c.
Green Islands$ 10	$9.60 ss.	50 cents for 1915	6 p.c.
Hongkong Electrics $ 10	$50½ b.	$2½ for 1915/1916.....	5 p.c.
Hongkong Ices$ 25	$160	$11 a/c 1915	
Hongkong Ropes ...$ 10	$34½	$3 a/c 1915.....	8 p.c.
Hongkong Tramways $75	$71½ ss.	30 cents a/c 1915	5 p.c.
Morning Posts$ 25	$29	$2 for 1915'	8 p.c.
Peak Tramways ...$ 10	$9½ b.	7 % for 1915/1916	7 p.c.
do. (new) $ 1	80 cts.		
Steam Laundry$ 5	$3½ b.	25 cents for 1915/1916.....	7 p.c.
Union Waterboats $ 10	$15½ b.	$1 for 1915.....	5⅓ p.c.
Watson$ 10	$34 b.	70 cents for 1915	6 p.c.
William Powell....$ 7	$6.85 b.	50 cents for 1915/1916...	

s.—sellers. ss.—sales. b.—buyers.

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